

BLONDIE



SALLY FORTH



THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



9 CHICKWEED LANE



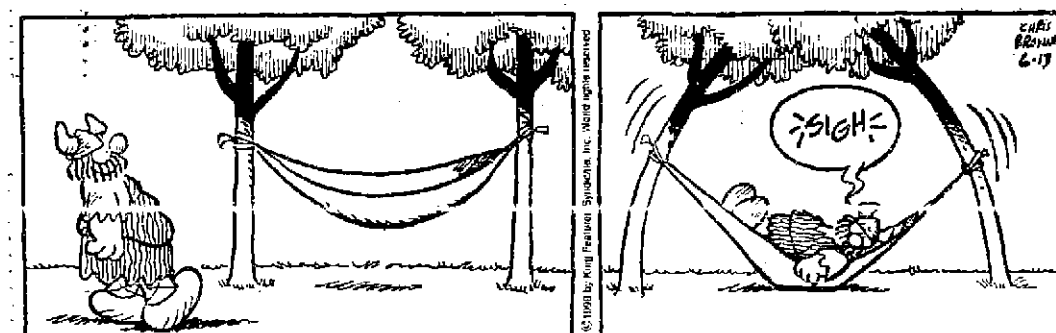
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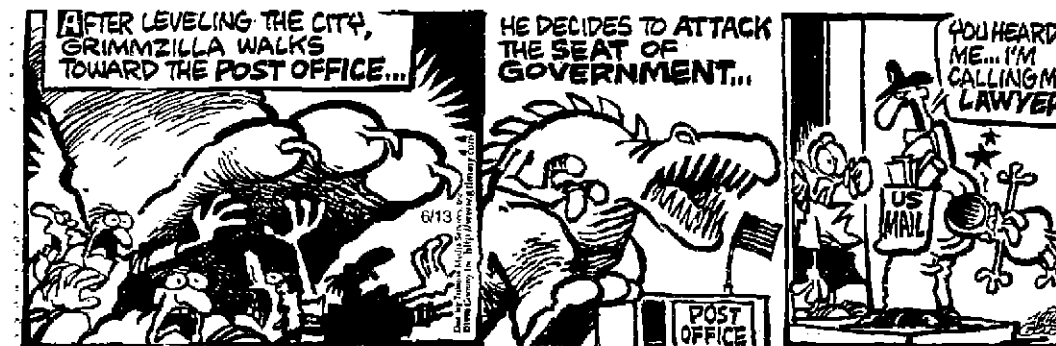
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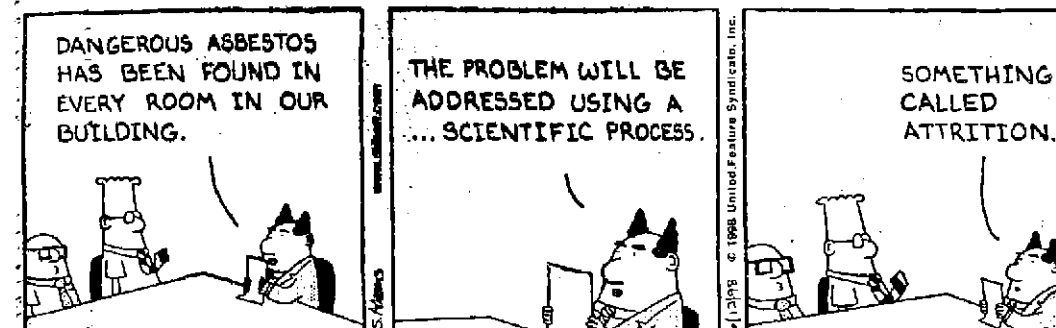
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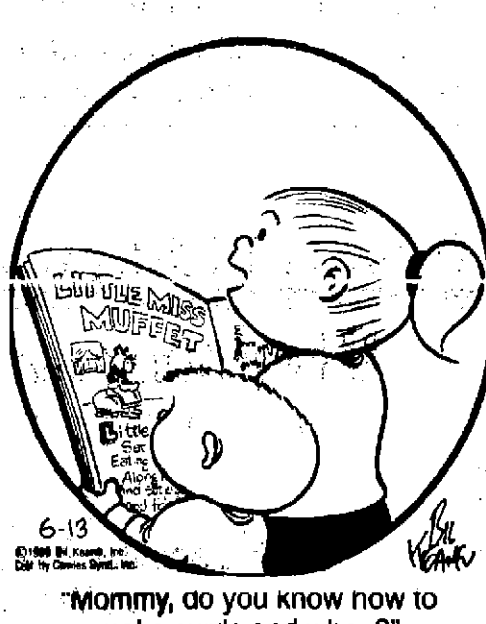
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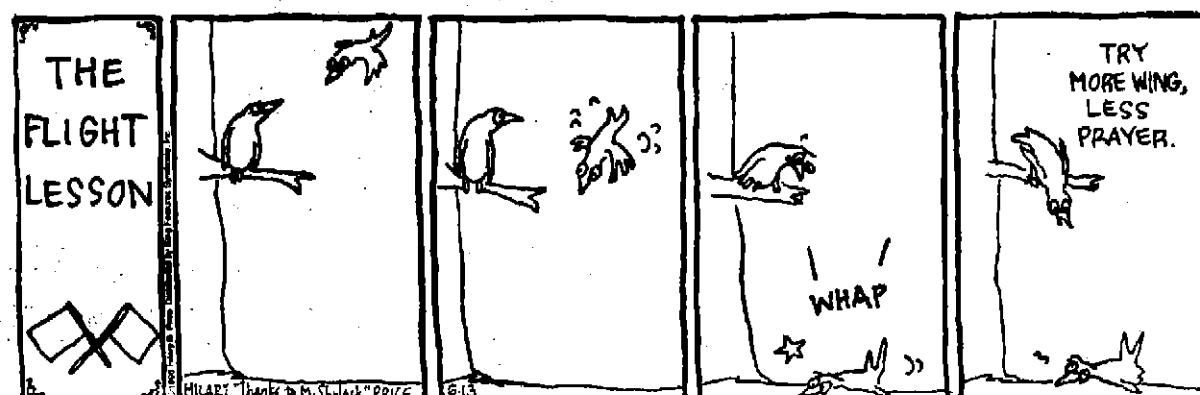
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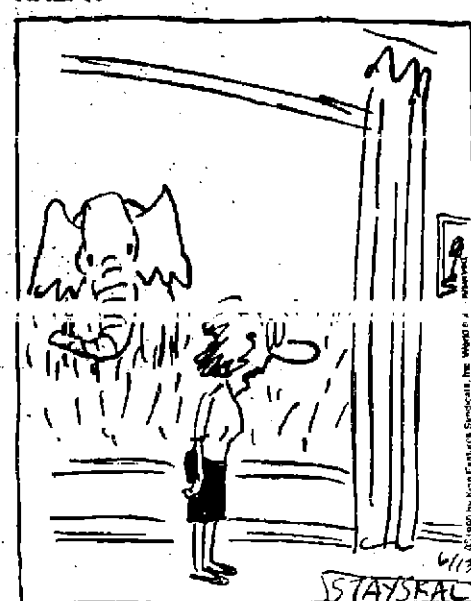
FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH



Today's Birthdays

TV host **Ralph Edwards** is 85. Singer **Bobby Freeman** is 58. Actor **Malcolm McDowell** is 55. Singer **Dennis Locorriere** (Dr. Hook) is 49. Actor **Richard Thomas** is 47.

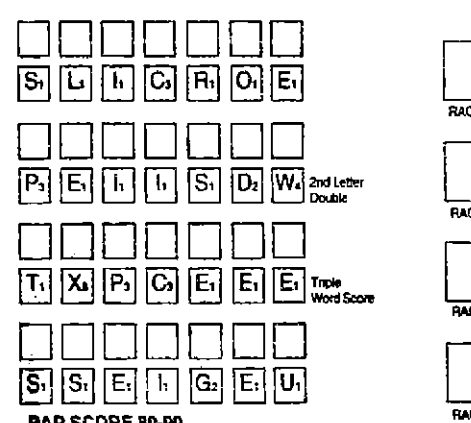
Hogen is 47. Comedian **Tim Allen** is 45. Actress **Ally Sheedy** is 36. Rhythm-and-blues singer **Danlece Pearson** (Five Star) is 30. Actor **Jamie Walters** is 29. Actress **Ashley Olsen** is 12. Actress **Mary-Kate Olsen** is 12.

I NEED HELP



Behind Mount Rushmore.

SCRABBLE



DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merriam-Webster) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW 6-13-98 © 1998 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

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WORD SLEUTH

Prefixes

L I E A X T O N J G C Z W T O
N J G D I A P X U R O L J G D
A X V O S M N P N K I F C A X
V S Q O T H E R M O O L J H E
C A X V T A U S R P R N L J H
F D B Y X O M O R H C V T R P
O M K O T N O R E G A I G E D
B Z X C R E I O E R W R U T R
O A N L R L U T D J I T G F
D L C A G A E L A T N E P X Y
X W P A V T U F S R P U O N E

Friday's unlisted clue: SUN

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Saturday's unlisted clue hint: FIVE

Acro- Extra- Lacto- Thermo-
Agi- Ferro- Paleo- Ultra-
Chromo- Fluoro- Pneumo- Under-
Dermato- Geronto- Semi-

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HOROSCOPE

For Sunday, June 14, 1998

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) It's a cheerful day for you, and your heart reaches out to someone in need of your help. Solidify a travel plan.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You could disapprove of a friend's treatment of a family member. Income should increase.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Love letters, music and poetry match your mood. Either take in an outside entertainment or exercise your own creative talents.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Look at your overall investment picture. You'll be getting rid of some clutter that's been getting in your way.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) Grandparents have a delightful time with the little ones. A trip to a distant place will soon be part of your itinerary.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) It's a day of solid work gains with the likelihood of increased revenues.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) You might have to say no to a would-be out-of-town guest. However, social life will be picking up soon.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Mixing business and pleasure won't meet expectations, but career gains are likely. Save time in coming weeks for private pursuits.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Travel plans take shape. A work assignment could take priority over a social engagement.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) There could be a slight romantic disappointment. You will take advantage of department store sales in the coming weeks.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) You begin a diary or set aside a part of each day for creative endeavors. You'll be pleased with the day's social developments.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Connections are helpful to you on the job front. You make splendid progress while you maintain a low profile.

ACES ON BRIDGE

By Bobby Wolff

A flexible declarer chooses a plan that might work best against the enemy's attack. In today's example, when a trump lead prevents declarer from ruffing his losers in dummy, he must look for another way to make his game.

If West leads the club jack from the top of a solid sequence, South has an easy time. He wins dummy's club ace, leads a diamond to his ace and plays another diamond. East wins and shifts to trumps, but it's too late. South wins and ruffs a diamond in dummy. A club back to his king allows another diamond ruff, and South has his 10 winners. A trump lead complicates matters. However, South survives if he adapts to this defense. Recognizing the futility of pursuing diamond ruffs, South must discard his losers on dummy's spades. He wins his trump ace and leads his low spade, dummy's eight losing to East's jack. A second trump goes to dummy's 10, and South leads dummy's spade queen, ruffing East's king high.

South leads a trump to dummy's jack and passes dummy's spade 10 to West's ace, discarding a diamond. Now dummy's spades are high, and South can discard two more losers to make his game. What if East switches to diamonds after winning his spade jack? South retains control by ducking in hand, dummy's jack forcing West's king. On lead, West has no effective response. If he switches back to trumps, South sets up dummy's spades. And if he doesn't, South can still get his two diamond ruffs with dummy's two high trumps.

NORTH ♠ Q 10 9 8 6
♥ J 10 9
♦ J 4
♣ A 7 2

WEST ♠ A 7 5 4
♥ 5 4
♦ K 10 7 5
♣ J 10 9

EAST ♠ K J 2
♥ 6 3 2
♦ Q 9 6
♣ Q 8 4 3

SOUTH ♠ 3
♥ A K Q 8 7
♦ A 8 3 2
♣ K 6 5

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: South

The bidding:
South 1♥ West 2♥ North 3♥ East 4♥

Opening lead: Heart four

N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

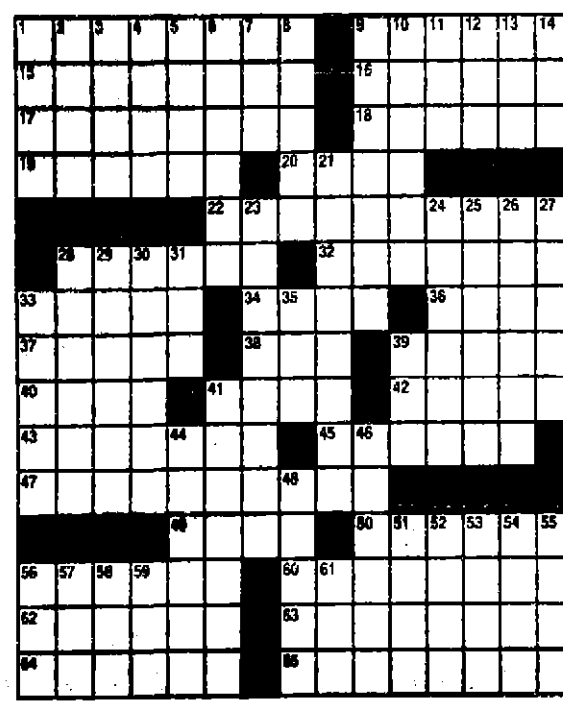
- 1 Suicidal
- 9 Kind of dust
- 15 More than thin
- 16 Senators' home
- 17 Kind of measures
- 18 "What do you have to lose?"
- 19 Town north of Tulsa
- 20 Commander at Briar Creek, in the Revolutionary War
- 22 Peak of the Pennines
- 26 Least forward
- 32 Hall of fame
- 33 Uniformed units
- 34 128 cubic feet
- 36 Old Fords
- 37 Stridulates
- 38 Meeting place
- 39 Base coach's cry
- 40 Actress Martinelli
- 41 Caesar's place
- 42 Librarians' loads
- 43 Nervous (worrywarts)
- 44 Led to
- 47 "Amistad" studio
- 48 Philatelist's purchase
- 49 Most vulpine
- 50 Braggart
- 51 Cordial
- 52 Beau Brummell's concern
- 53 Competitions between banks
- 54 Composed
- 55 Aware

DOWN

- 1 Big name in corn syrup
- 2 De novo
- 3 N.Y.C. cultural center
- 4 Burns up
- 5 Its slogan was once "They feel good"
- 6 Postulates
- 7 Pakistani president, 1978-88
- 8 Bravura
- 9 Steer steerer
- 10 Leftovers
- 11 What a mess!
- 12 Fortify
- 13 W.W. II battle site, for short
- 14 Clawer
- 21 First mate of the Pequod
- 22 City on the Missouri
- 24 They may accompany handshakes
- 25 Like many departures
- 26 Purged: Var.
- 27 Bridge locales
- 28 Headache
- 29 Old Chevy model

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

MIT SWAGGE SAN
CONE LANCAHSHIRE
ONCE AMPEROANDS
PRIMATE INNOGT
IODINE PUB GIRO
EVENT NINEPINS
RING RUSTLING
SAT GENTILE TAU
AREACODE DEMO
SLEEPING LILAC
LAMA JOO PESETA
COSMONAUTS BRUT
ARISTOCRAT LARA
BIG ENTIRE EMB



Fuzzle by Ben Hartington

- 31 Three dots, in Morse
- 32 Politically incorrect ending
- 33 Quarterback Humphries
- 34 Excuse
- 35 Grimson of hockey
- 41 Home of the University of the South
- 42 Allocated
- 43 Nurture
- 51 E.T.S. offering
- 52 Elusive creature
- 53 Politically incorrect ending
- 54 Quarterback Humphries
- 55 Dip one's toe in, say
- 56 Blast
- 57 Corroded
- 58 Norm: Abbr.
- 59 Fact-gathering grp.
- 61 Prenuptial?

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